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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1256

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1256 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by
5 changing Section 3-616 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-616) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-616)

7 Sec. 3-616. Disability license plates.

8 (a) Upon receiving an application for a certificate of
9 registration for a motor vehicle of the first division, a
10 motorcycle, an autocycle, or for a motor vehicle of the second
11 division weighing no more than 8,000 pounds, accompanied with
12 payment of the registration fees required under this Code from
13 a person with disabilities or a person who is deaf or hard of
14 hearing, the Secretary of State, if so requested, shall issue
15 to such person registration plates as provided for in Section
16 3-611, provided that the person with disabilities or person

1 who is deaf or hard of hearing must not be disqualified from
2 obtaining a driver's license under subsection 8 of Section
3 6-103 of this Code, and further provided that any person
4 making such a request must submit a statement, certified by a
5 licensed physician, by a licensed physician assistant, or by a
6 licensed advanced practice registered nurse, to the effect
7 that such person is a person with disabilities as defined by
8 Section 1-159.1 of this Code, or alternatively provide
9 adequate documentation that such person has a Class 1A, Class
10 2A or Type Four disability under the provisions of Section 4A
11 of the Illinois Identification Card Act. For purposes of this
12 Section, an Illinois Person with a Disability Identification
13 Card issued pursuant to the Illinois Identification Card Act
14 indicating that the person thereon named has a disability
15 shall be adequate documentation of such a disability.

16 (b) The Secretary shall issue plates under this Section to
17 a parent or legal guardian of a person with disabilities if the
18 person with disabilities has a Class 1A or Class 2A disability
19 as defined in Section 4A of the Illinois Identification Card
20 Act or is a person with disabilities as defined by Section
21 1-159.1 of this Code, and does not possess a vehicle
22 registered in his or her name, provided that the person with
23 disabilities relies frequently on the parent or legal guardian
24 for transportation. Only one vehicle per family may be
25 registered under this subsection, unless the applicant can
26 justify in writing the need for one additional set of plates.

1 Any person requesting special plates under this subsection
2 shall submit such documentation or such physician's, physician
3 assistant's, or advanced practice registered nurse's statement
4 as is required in subsection (a) and a statement describing
5 the circumstances qualifying for issuance of special plates
6 under this subsection. An optometrist may certify a Class 2A
7 Visual Disability, as defined in Section 4A of the Illinois
8 Identification Card Act, for the purpose of qualifying a
9 person with disabilities for special plates under this
10 subsection.

11 (c) The Secretary may issue a parking decal or device to a
12 person with disabilities as defined by Section 1-159.1 without
13 regard to qualification of such person with disabilities for a
14 driver's license or registration of a vehicle by such person
15 with disabilities or such person's immediate family, provided
16 such person with disabilities making such a request has been
17 issued an Illinois Person with a Disability Identification
18 Card indicating that the person named thereon has a Class 1A or
19 Class 2A disability, or alternatively, submits a statement
20 certified by a licensed physician, or by a licensed physician
21 assistant or a licensed advanced practice registered nurse as
22 provided in subsection (a), to the effect that such person is a
23 person with disabilities as defined by Section 1-159.1. An
24 optometrist may certify a Class 2A Visual Disability as
25 defined in Section 4A of the Illinois Identification Card Act
26 for the purpose of qualifying a person with disabilities for a

1 parking decal or device under this subsection.

2 (d) The Secretary shall prescribe by rules and regulations
3 procedures to certify or re-certify as necessary the
4 eligibility of persons whose disabilities are other than
5 permanent for special plates or parking decals or devices
6 issued under subsections (a), (b) and (c). Except as provided
7 under subsection (f) of this Section, no such special plates,
8 decals or devices shall be issued by the Secretary of State to
9 or on behalf of any person with disabilities unless such
10 person is certified as meeting the definition of a person with
11 disabilities pursuant to Section 1-159.1 or meeting the
12 requirement of a Type Four disability as provided under
13 Section 4A of the Illinois Identification Card Act for the
14 period of time that the physician, or the physician assistant
15 or advanced practice registered nurse as provided in
16 subsection (a), determines the applicant will have the
17 disability, but not to exceed 6 months from the date of
18 certification or recertification.

19 (e) Any person requesting special plates under this
20 Section may also apply to have the special plates
21 personalized, as provided under Section 3-405.1.

22 (f) The Secretary of State, upon application, shall issue
23 disability registration plates or a parking decal to
24 corporations, school districts, State or municipal agencies,
25 limited liability companies, nursing homes, convalescent
26 homes, or special education cooperatives which will transport

1 persons with disabilities. The Secretary shall prescribe by
2 rule a means to certify or re-certify the eligibility of
3 organizations to receive disability plates or decals and to
4 designate which of the 2 person with disabilities emblems
5 shall be placed on qualifying vehicles.

6 (g) The Secretary of State, or his designee, may enter
7 into agreements with other jurisdictions, including foreign
8 jurisdictions, on behalf of this State relating to the
9 extension of parking privileges by such jurisdictions to
10 residents of this State with disabilities who display a
11 special license plate or parking device that contains the
12 International symbol of access on his or her motor vehicle,
13 and to recognize such plates or devices issued by such other
14 jurisdictions. This State shall grant the same parking
15 privileges which are granted to residents of this State with
16 disabilities to any non-resident whose motor vehicle is
17 licensed in another state, district, territory or foreign
18 country if such vehicle displays the international symbol of
19 access or a distinguishing insignia on license plates or
20 parking device issued in accordance with the laws of the
21 non-resident's state, district, territory or foreign country.

22 (h) Any registration plate or parking decal or device
23 issued under this Section to a person with a permanent
24 disability, or the parent or guardian thereof, shall require
25 certification of that permanent disability every 5 years by
26 submitting to the Secretary a statement, certified by a

1 licensed medical professional, declaring that such person is a
2 person with a disability as provided under Section 1-159.1 of
3 this Code.

4 (Source: P.A. 103-843, eff. 1-1-25.)".